



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michael J. Dove

Serial No.: 10/053,192

Filed: January 23, 2002

For: **TELESCOPING EXTENSION POLE WITH
BUILT-IN TUBE END PROTECTION**

Group Art Unit: 3676

Examiner: Williams, Mark A.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 21, 2004.

Please find applicable section amendments for the above-referenced application on separately attached sheets.

Applicant respectfully requests that the proposed amendment presented herein be entered by the Examiner. Applicant understands that the Examiner may permit such after Final Rejection Amendments upon "a showing of good and sufficient reasons why they are necessary and were not earlier presented." (37 CFR §1.116) In this regard, Applicant believes that the amendments contained herein do not present new issues requiring further consideration or search by the examiner, but merely clarify that which distinguishes Applicant's invention over the prior art.

The First Office Action and Applicant's subsequent response were primarily directed to the numerous informalities that existed in Applicant's original specification including the

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